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Getting Capitol East's thing together

HUNDREDS of Capitol East residents, representing more than 70 community organizations, filled the auditorium of Eastern High School last month for the first annual assembly of the Capitol East Community Organization. Approving a constitution and electing officers, the assembly gave form to the largest and potentially strongest coalition of community groups in the history of Capitol East. Since the assembly, even more organizations have come under the CECO umbrella so that CECO now represents groups with a combined membership of nearly 10,000.

Charles Cassell, a newly elected School Board member who works on H St. NE for the Reconstruction and Development Corporation, was elected president. Darnell Mitchell, co-manager and co-owner of Art Young's clothing store on H St., was elected 1st vice president. Other officers elected included 20 vice presidents.

The proposed slate of officers was challenged by Near NE resident Regina Cobb, of the National Welfare Rights Organization, who complained that Cassell and some other nominees did not live in the community and that not enough poor people were on the slate. Said Mrs. Cobb:

"These people don't live in this area and I do live in this area and I know what goes and I'd like to be on this thing."

Although Assembly rules permitted persons who worked in Capitol East to hold office whether they lived in the community or not, Mrs. Cobb's remarks led to a demand by a member of the League of Women Voters that all nominees identify their place of residence. This request led to a steady stream of candidates proceeding to the microphones set up on the floor of the assembly and defending their relevance to the community. One candidate, Raymond Smith told the crowd:

"I was born in Southwest, kicked out of Southwest and Southeast. And just because I have these clothes on, don't think I'm well-to-do, because I'm poor. I'm just as poor as the lady on welfare. The only thing that gets me is that everytime we try to get our thing together there's a whole lot of excitement. We don't have to go through all those changes. We can get it together. We don't have to go through all those problems. You don't do that. Because the first thing they're going to do is they're going to run out of here and say, 'They can't do it; they ain't together.' Let's get it together."

Smith was loudly applauded, as was Lola Singletary, director of Community Laundries, who told the audience that she had just moved out of Capitol East because she couldn't afford to buy a house here. Said Mrs. Singletary: "I work 12 to 14 hours a day at 1125 Penna. Ave. SE. I sleep on Alabama Ave. SE."

Mrs. Cobb ran for president but Cassell easily defeated her.

In the end, the contention over the slate was amicably resolved by increasing the size of the board of CECO and adding to it Mrs. Cobb and several other persons nominated from the floor. The main speaker of the assembly was Lonnie Shabazz, director of Washington's Muslim Mosque, who pleased some members of the audience and antagonized many others with a lengthy and tedious discourse on black power and the virtues of Elijah Mohammed. The organizers of the event had hoped to have Shabazz speak for only 15 minutes on economic development, sharing the platform with



CECO Assembly temporary chairman Ernest Pete Ward (right) introduces newly elected CECO president Charles Cassell at last month's community assembly at Eastern High School.



DELEGATES to the CECO Assembly fill Eastern High's auditorium.

(Photo by Arnold Quintana)

Commissioner Walter Washington and Councilman Joseph Yeldell. But Washington and Yeldell never showed up and Shabazz delivered a 45 - minute sermon.

Especially alienated were some members of the local League of Women Voters, the Circle-on-the-Hill and some of the representatives of black Baptist organizations. Shabazz had prefaced his remarks by saying that "for a few moments I would like to speak to you truth and if you didn't want me to do that then you should not have invited me here."

Shabazz's address was a mixture of fairly standard black power rhetoric laced heavily with Black Muslim proselytizing.

The League ladies were furious. One white man, connected with the peace movement, remarked later that there were things that Shabazz had said that "personally offended me." Replied a black community leader: "There were many things Shabazz was talking against that personally offend me."

What seemed to get lost in subsequent discussions about Shabazz's speech, however, was that he was not speaking for CECO and that CECO staff members themselves were visibly disturbed by both the length and the tone of his address.

Following the Muslim's talk, the assembly settled down to passing several resolutions -- in support of the November 15 peace demonstration, in support

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Near SE repels invasion by U.S. Marine Corps

IN a heartening display of community power last month, the Capitol East Housing Council won its battle -- for this year at least -- to prevent construction of an addition to the Marine Barracks in Near SE. The Marines had wanted to take housing on the south side of Eye St. and east of 8th St. for the project.

But diligent efforts on the part of the housing council, combined with support from key members of the City Council, the National Capital Planning Commission and the Congress, led to the budget item for the barracks expansion being knocked out of a congressional authorization bill.

It was a close call, however. The matter had gone to conference following Senate rejection and House approval of the authorization. Members of

the community kept up their lobbying efforts on the Hill right up to the day the conference committee met.

To the satisfaction of the Housing Council, the Senate conferees, led by Sen. Henry Jackson (D-Wash.) held their ground and got the barracks money deleted from the authorization bill.

The Council also cited Sen. Edward Brooke (R-Mass.) as having played a key role in the fight against the barracks expansion. Others involved included Sen. Charles Goodell (R-NY) and James Gibson, formerly of the National Capital Planning Commission.

The housing council is planning a thank-you party for those involved in the struggle.

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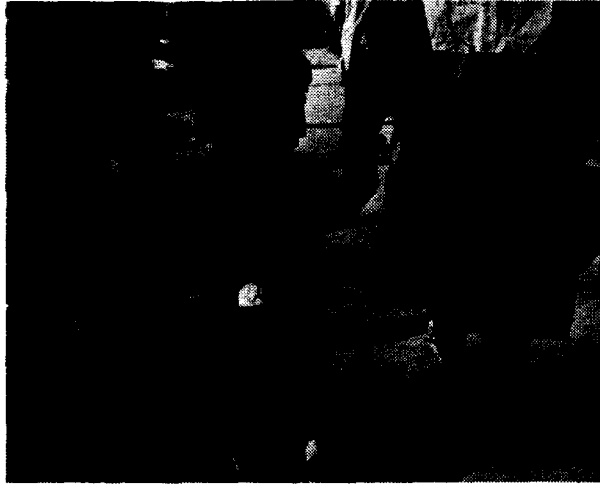
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Capitol East welcomes peace marchers



Peace demonstrators at St. Mark's Church (left) and walking towards the Mall on East Capitol St. (right)

CAPITOL East opened its doors to the peace demonstrators who came to Washington during November, with Capitol Hill churches leading the way. Particularly involved was St. Mark's, 3rd & A SE, whose sanctuary was converted into a dormitory for hundreds of peace marchers.

The New York Times took note of St. Mark's role in an article that reported "youths napped on the floor, downed free sandwiches and coffee prepared by local students and housewives and received the latest word on protest plans. Outside the corner of Third and A Streets Southeast became something of a Hollywood and Vine as the young people met old friends from demonstrations past."

Also taking part was Ebenezer Methodist Church, 4th & D SE, which served as a center for parade marshalls. Specialists in the art of non-violence trained hundreds of marshalls for the demonstrations that brought about half million people into downtown Washington the middle of last month. The marshalls were trained with the aid of simulated situations -- such as mock scuffles and heckling. They were instructed with advice such as "Try to

engage hecklers in conversation . . . Smile . . . Don't touch or push people; many people resent such action."

Although we heard a report of one church closing its doors to the marchers and of one delicatessen that hiked the price of coffee to 35 cents for the event, the typical reaction of the community was cordial. Chadwick's, a popular bar and restaurant on Penna. Ave. stayed open all night prior to the big march and served as a crash pad for hundreds of visiting youths. Coffee was on the house.

The powers that be over at the U. S. Capitol failed to join the spirit of the day, preferring to barricade the Capitol grounds from all visitors and mount machine guns at the base of the dome.

Meanwhile, at St. Mark's, we spied two MP's amiably chatting with demonstrators over coffee. And one Capitol East minister noted later that the student protesters -- contrary to the image being fostered by Attorney General Mitchell, Spiro Agnew et al -- were good and generous people. Even more so, he thought, than his own congregation.

News from Hospitality House

☐ HOSPITALITY House honored its volunteers with a reception last month at the Kennedy Mosby Center, 1108 7th NE. The volunteers were congratulated for faithful and loyal services rendered during the past year.

The volunteers of Hospitality House assist in many capacities such as working in the administrative office as typists, addressing envelopes, compiling mailing lists, making telephone calls in reference to community meetings, etc. At the center volunteers prepare luncheons for meetings, assist with packing clothing boxes, sorting clothing and with the general maintenance of the building.

The volunteers were enthusiastic and the meeting was well attended. Mrs. Nadine Winter, director of the house, stressed the importance of regular volunteer service, the accomplishments of an institution through the services of dedicated volunteers, and the contribution an institution can make to a volunteer.

☐ Hospitality House has been holding a personality development class. Receptionists and hostesses are being developed and groomed for good opportunity.

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Sally Crowell

LAST Week the Folger Library staged "Shakespeare in the Inner-City", an inter-play between black inner-city youths and white professors of Shakespeare's English. In order to gain better insight into the attitudes and feelings of ghetto youths, the chairman of the Shakespeare division of the National Council of Teachers of English turned the Folger's model Elizabethan stage over to DIGIT, a young and exciting black theatre group. Through improvisational theatre and actor-audience dialogue, the two groups sought out an avenue of communication and were able to reach some level of understanding.

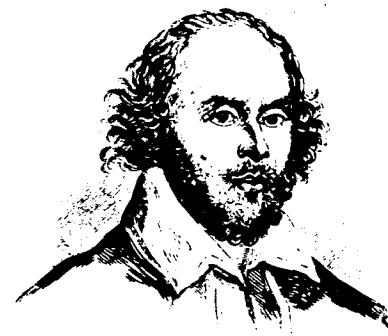
The Dramatic Interpretation of Ghetto Improvisational Theatre, (DIGIT--dig it?), composed of seven male and seven female black teenagers, performs under the direction of Mrs. Paulette Bell. While the youths attend various schools in the city, DIGIT is based at Roper Junior High School, 48th and Meade NE.

When the group was first formed last summer, its prime concern was dealing with the social and racial problems that were present in the ghetto. The members felt that it was necessary to express their ideas and feelings concerning these problems. Improvisation acting out the situation seemed to be a way of dealing with it. When the audience asked how each actor decided on his or her role, the actors responded that they assumed the part in which they felt most comfortable.

Members of the group said that when they were introduced to Shakespeare, the first obstacle was the language. They were immediately turned off. The teacher-director felt that exposure to Shakespeare was important, however, and she read the group outlines and condensed versions of the literary work so that the students were able to identify with some of the characters and could understand the intention of the playwright. Soon she found them wanting to act out the plots and to assume some of the Shakespearean roles.

Once the group had performed its version of the story, the director hoped that this would lead them back to the original, and because of their understanding of the text they would then be better equipped to deal with the language problem. Many of the teachers in the audience wondered if this had been successful. Mrs. Bell was able to say that in some cases it had.

The group of primarily white teachers responded favorably to improvisations of "Hamlet," "Julius Caesar," "The Merchant of Venice" and "Romeo and Juliet," but they were more anxious to see the group demonstrate some of their work concerning racial and social problems. The cast of DIGIT leapt to their feet and called out their favorites among the scenes they had created. It was decided to perform the scene dealing with the frustration of being black and poor, and the degrading treatment one receives when one goes to the bank for food stamps. Another improvisation involved a black student attending an all white school in the north and witnessing the prejudices that occur there.



After the performance, the black students asked the white teachers if they had any questions. For an hour the teachers fired away hoping to get a better understanding of how these black inner-city youths felt personally about whites, and if their involvement with DIGIT had changed their views any. At that moment a seemingly shy, wide-eyed girl retorted, "It wasn't that I hated y'all. . . ." at which point the audience erupted in laughter. The truth was that she had come to realize how limited her experience had been before joining the group and now she could better understand how it is possible for some whites to be as narrow and prejudiced as she had once been.

Under the sponsorship of the National Council of Christians and Jews and the American Educational Theatre Association, DIGIT has performed in other areas of the city and in the suburbs. Some very good things can come from such groups and it is the hope of Folger's program director, Richmond Crinkley, to have them perform again next year. We look forward to their return.

Union Station project: railroading the community

WORK is scheduled to begin next spring on a combination transportation terminal-visitors' center that will have an important impact on Capitol East. Up to the present, however, Capitol East has had nothing to say about the nature of that impact. The community that will be directly affected by the \$45 million Union Station project has been completely locked out of the planning.

While the development will have some beneficial effects upon Capitol East -- there will be increased jobs, for example -- it also raises serious questions that city and federal officials have so far ducked.

For one thing, the project will certainly hurt the residential community adjoining it. There will be increased traffic, noise and air pollution. The center plans call for establishment of a heliport at Union Station, which raises the added issue of safety. Further, the commercial development of the area will probably not stop with the present project. If the project proves a success there will be a great demand for adjacent land. Near NE residents will begin feeling the push from development corporations just as surely as Near SE residents in recent years have felt the push from real estate dealers. From the standpoint of those with economic clout in this city, the presence of low income families on valuable land in the heart of the city represents an impediment to progress. And whether under the guise of restoration or of economic development, they shall be moved -- unless they make a strong enough fight against the pressure.

The Union Station plans include these elements:

- A national visitors' center that will utilize the present Union Station.

- A new rail terminal and bus terminal to be built within a parking structure for 5000 cars. The terminals will be built atop the present rail tracks. A heliport will also be included in the project.

- The possibility of a sports arena and convention center being pushed by a variety of persons and organizations ranging from Joel Broyhill and the Board of Trade to the city government. The arena is under consideration by Congress.

The Union Station project is a joint federal - city

effort. It has been designed by men who will not have to live near their creation. This may help explain why they have been so oblivious to the needs of the adjoining community.

We wonder whether Walter Washington would be so sanguine if helicopters were coming in for a landing day and night over his roof?

We wonder whether City Council chairman Gilbert Hahn would be so happy about a development that would overtax streets and parking in his section of town.

We wonder whether Joel Broyhill would be so energetic in pushing for a measure that would bring an estimated 4.2 million additional people into his community each year.

We wonder whether Secretary Hickel would approve of his house being taken in the name of the economic health of the city.

There is, of course, the argument that the bus

terminal has to go somewhere. The tourists have to go somewhere. The arena has to go somewhere.

But the basic issue is this: is it fair to any community to dump such a conglomeration of people - attracting, street-clogging, noise-making, air-polluting activities in one place without giving that community even a modicum of compensation and without giving the community the slightest opportunity to defend itself?

All over the country, people in the city are under attack by freeways, urban renewal and "economic development." The battle has been joined in many places over many issues; the expansion of a university in Harlem, a freeway in New Orleans, a bridge in Georgetown, an expanded Marine barracks in Near SE. Hopefully it is not too late to open a new battlefield in Near NE to make the city and federal government recognize that they can not kill a community in the name of progress.

News from Pickford Place

PICKFORD Place shone recently. The street was cleaned and decorated by the people of the block. It was the annual block party for the residents on that street. The youth chairman of the party was 8-year old Reginald Williams. He held meetings in his home on several occasions to plan for the party and at each meeting had good representation of adults from the area. He was more persistent than the best organizer and as articulate and exact as any full grown adult. Just try saying no to Reginald on any subject and find out how many whys you must answer to make your point. No job was too big for the young warriors and enthusiastic parents. Hospitality House furnished the games and gifts, a portion of the refreshments, and the community did the planning and the operating.

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Cole seeks to bounce Berg

RECREATION Department director Joseph Cole is seeking to oust a member of the Recreation Advisory Board who has been a leader in efforts to improve the city's recreation programs. Cole's target is Capitol East activist Robert Berg. Berg's term on the RAB expired last summer and Commissioner Walter Washington has taken no action on the post.

Cole would like to see Berg replaced by Mrs. Sarah Montgomery. If Mrs. Montgomery is not selected, Cole would prefer either Gregory New, Miro Pregelj or Keith Melder. Mrs. Montgomery is connected with the extremely conservative SE Civic Assn. The other three have long been active in the affairs of the Capitol Hill Community Council, a once prominent organization whose membership has sharply declined in recent years. Signifi-

cantly, both the SE Civic Association and the Community Council boycotted last month's Capitol East Community Assembly, at which the largest and most representative coalition of community groups ever created here came into existence. This organization, The Capitol East Community Organization, represents groups with a combined membership approaching 10,000. Among its first actions was the election of a board of directors. Robert Berg was one of those elected. Mrs. Montgomery or New's group didn't even come to what was probably the most important meeting in the history of this community.

The assembly took another step that is significant in view of Cole's maneuvering. It voted overwhelmingly to support the construction of a black shopping plaza on the site of the car barn at 15th & East Cap-

itol Sts. in lieu of the citywide recreation center Cole has been pushing with the avid assistance of Mrs. Montgomery. It is a rare day when a community group turns its back on the spending of several million dollars of government funds within its boundaries for something that is supposed to be for its benefit. But the car barn recreation center has long been recognized here as an impractical and expensive white elephant that has distorted the spending priorities of the department. The shopping plaza plan offers the possibility of real economic advantage to the community around the car barn.

Unlike Mrs. Montgomery and Cole's other choices, Berg has been among those strongly supporting the shopping plaza. He has served the community and the RAB in other ways. He has instituted many of the board's actions. He has attended every meeting except those held while he was out of the country on government assignments. He has been a constant critic of the department's labyrinth of mismanagement and poor budget procedures. He has written testimony that has helped to win funds. During the Johnson Administration, he was an important link between the board and the White House.

Berg undoubtedly asked too many hard questions of Cole. Every investigation of the Recreation Department has uncovered serious deficiencies. Even more distressing, few of these deficiencies have been corrected.

While Berg is only one member of an advisory board with weak powers, he clearly knows too much and is capable of finding out too much more for Cole's liking. If Cole succeeds in purging Berg from the RAB, replacing him with a conservative of such unrepresentative views as Mrs. Montgomery, it will not only be a travesty for Capitol East. It also will make a mockery of Commissioner Washington's professed desire to listen to the communities of this city in making decisions that affect them.



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News from Friendship House

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"The Nighthawks" and "The Young Generation" are presently negotiating for the purchase of 750 Christmas trees which they will sell December 15-24 at two locations -- 5th and K Streets, S. E. and on or near Pennsylvania Avenue, S. E. The space is being donated by the D. C. Recreation Department. The project is expected to provide salaries for about 12 youth and to supplement the treasury of the two youth groups.

The youth are developing their own work schedule and are planning a door-to-door campaign to publicize their project. A girl's group plans to make wreaths and greens which will also be available for purchase through the project.

For additional information call Lael Stegall, Friendship House, 547-8880.

--April Langston

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of black shopping plaza at the East Capitol carbarn site and in support of a housing program outlined by the Capitol East Housing Council.

The overwhelming favorable vote given to the carbarn shopping plaza was significant since it represented a community rejection of the citywide recreation center that the District would like to see constructed on the site.

The resolution on housing gave support to the following general goals for Capitol East:

- * A comprehensive study of the community to gather specific information and citizen input.

- * The establishment of a permanent planning structure for the Capitol East community.

- * Development of detailed housing and public service programs to meet projected community needs.

- * Documentation and examination of various development plans for the area so as to fit within the goals for the area.

- * A stable, integrated and planned community with adequate schools and services.

- * Preservation of the basic residential character of the community by upgrading existing structures and redeveloping vacant parcels.

- * Decent housing in the community for the present residents of Capitol East with wide home-ownership opportunity.

- * A balance between the city-wide facilities and services and the basic residential character.

- * Continued community planning for the development of the area to meet community needs.

- * Full utilization of the recreational and business potential of the area.

The statement also resolved that:

- * Housing be made the number one priority for the use of land in Capitol East.

- * Federal and District governmental agencies accept the community goals, commit themselves to planning with the community and provide funding for planning and rehabilitation.

- * A process of community planning and housing development be established and that Capitol East be granted representation on DC boards affecting housing.

- * Funds be sought from governmental agencies and private sources to plan detailed implementation of goals.

- * A systematic rehabilitation of houses be undertaken on a definite time-table using private funds and federal programs for home ownership, and that local financial institutions provide funds for mortgages and home improvement loans.

- * Public housing be expanded through leasing and turnkey programs for single family homes and that existing projects be repaired and offered at rents not exceeding 25% of tenant's income.

- * The Capitol East Housing Council be charged with implementing these resolutions as a technical committee for the Capitol East Community Organization.

The CECO Assembly was not able to complete action on all the resolutions that were before it. It delayed action on those resolutions published in last month's Gazette until the CECO delegates' meeting to be held on Dec 15.

As the delegates to the Assembly filed out of the auditorium on November 9, leaving behind the banners of the 70 organizations they represented, it was clear that something big and important had happened in Capitol East. An ideal opportunity had presented itself for Capitol East to get its thing together.

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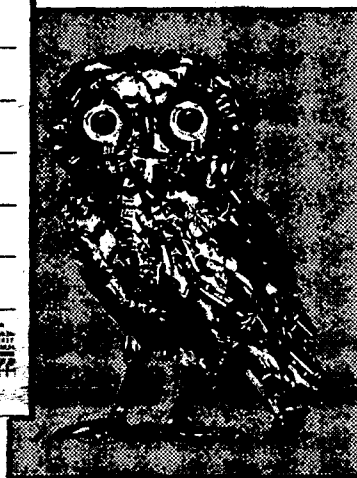
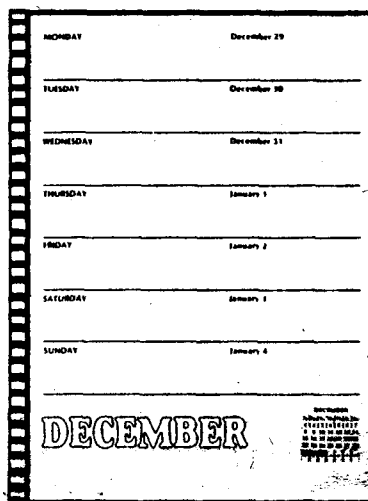
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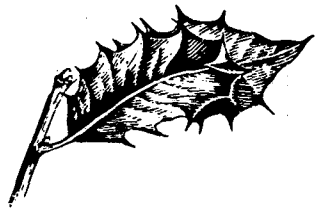
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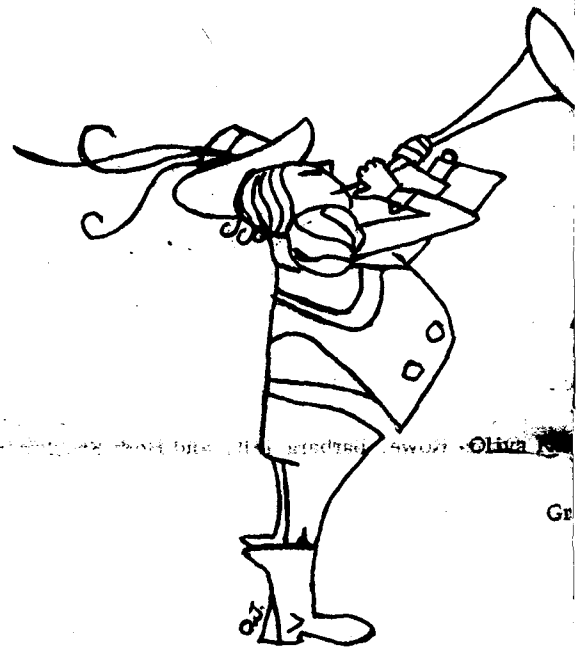


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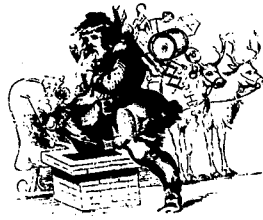
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Capitol East gets first stock firm

T. C. HORNE & Co., Inc., a Cambridge based broker-dealer-underwriter, recently opened a Washington branch office at 201 Maryland Ave. NE.

The company was formed three years ago and now has six offices in the east and south.

The local staff includes a tax lawyer, an accountant, an economic consultant and pension and profit-sharing planning specialists. T. C. Horne says its goal is "to provide investors with assistance in selecting investments and in choosing the most desirable form of holding investments. For example, the Horne representatives are prepared to establish an education trust for the investor's children and to give a broad range of advice on the tax consequences of various securities transactions."

In addition, the company provides capital finance for corporations. T. C. Horne is the first securities house to locate in Capitol East. Manager Ruff Fant remarked that "There is a sense of community here which we would not find on Connecticut Avenue. Looking out at frisbee tossers in the garden of the Supreme Court is much happier than looking across the street into endless glass and steel cubicles."

The Horne office is open daily from 9 to 6 and

on Saturdays from 10 to 3.

Describing his new firm's philosophy, Fant said: "The individual investor is being squeezed by the enormous pressures generated by institutional investors trading in the stock market. We believe that we have developed a system whereby, through the

enlightened use of mutual funds, an individual can share in the strengths of institutions, and by trading in carefully selected, low-priced over-the-counter stocks, he can participate at the same time in the potentially explosive growth of young and creative companies."

Lenox fate up in air

THE fate of the Lenox School addition, 5th & G SE, is still up in the air. School officials and the community remain at a stand-off over the location of the proposed addition.

The school system's building and grounds department would like to move directly across 5th street and take a row of houses and the street itself for the site. Community groups object strenuously to the removal of low income housing for new school construction and have proposed instead the use of vacant land on the block across from the school. In order to get sufficient space, portions of some back yards would have to be taken.

The plan to take the vacant land suffered a setback late last month as the owner of some of the parcels moved a bulldozer in to begin clearing for the construction of town houses on the site.

Buildings and Grounds estimates that it would cost \$642,000 to acquire the vacant land, but only \$462,000 to acquire the houses. Because 5th St. would be closed off and used as part of the school grounds, the second alternative would also result in about 20% more space.

The school system has \$395,000 on hand to acquire the site for the addition. Money for actual construction was knocked out of this year's budget in the House.

But the issue remains as to whether it is right for low income residents to be pushed out of the community by school construction. An even more significant case in point is the proposed new site of the Lovejoy-Edmonds replacement that would require the eviction of some 23 families and 9 individuals. A community committee has been formed to look into this problem.

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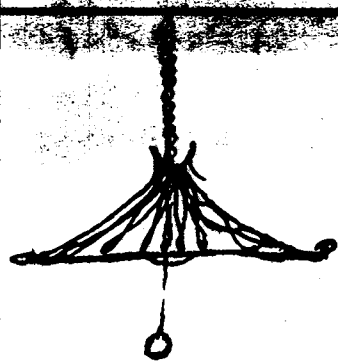
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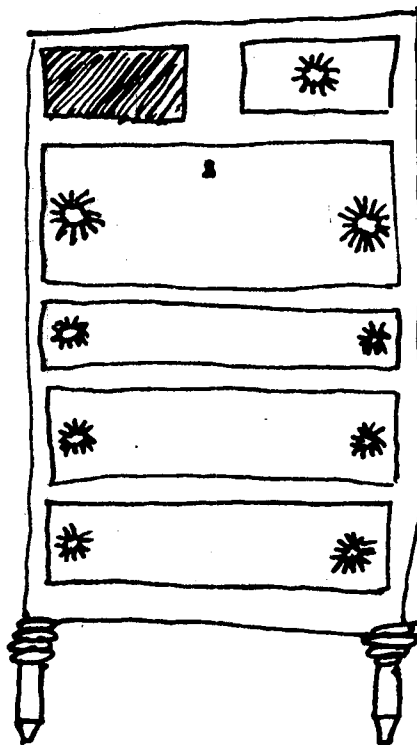
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Down on the farm

There is, near Capitol East, a very easy-going and satisfying place for a little person under four or so to take his parents.

It is the Oxon Hill Children's Farm, a two-year-old project of the National Park Service on the grounds of what was the farm of St. Elizabeth's Hospital.

It's a breath of fresh air for all ages. But it must seem a very special place for a toddler who can do there all kinds of fun things which, from his experiences in the city just five minutes away, should by all rights be dangerous and forbidden--pat ponies, ponies, climb on old machinery, hold rabbits, feed pigs, and run with abandon.

It is a very small-scale, unsophisticated place, and that is its major charm. There are no informative signs, regulations, or vending machines--just animals in a barnyard. It must seem very manageable and satisfying if you are only three.

There are two young guides dressed in turn of the century farm clothes who go about small chores, stopping happily to take white rabbits out of cages for holding, to pick up lambs for patting.

You don't have to read any information, nobody tells you anything you ought to remember, or warns you about things you shouldn't do. (Except when the children begin to pull ALL of the turnips out of the garden plot.)

It is all in all much more like going to Uncle Ben's place than to a federal recreation project.

The Children's Farm has been in operation for only two years. When St. Elizabeth's gave up the farm, the National Park Service took over its magnificent 400-acre site on a hilltop overlooking the Potomac River. The farm now occupies about 30 acres of the site and includes several fields of corn and one of oats, a vegetable garden, and a barnyard full of horses, cows, rabbits, pigs, sheep,

ponies, donkeys, goats, chickens, and geese.

The turn of the century farm implements which have been on the farm since St. Elizabeth's bought it in the last century have been brought out onto the lawn beside the vegetable garden. There is no written interpretation; the learning experience comes from climbing under and over it. Somehow that is all in keeping with the spirit of the place; it is much more important to sit on those old tools



than to know exactly how they work.

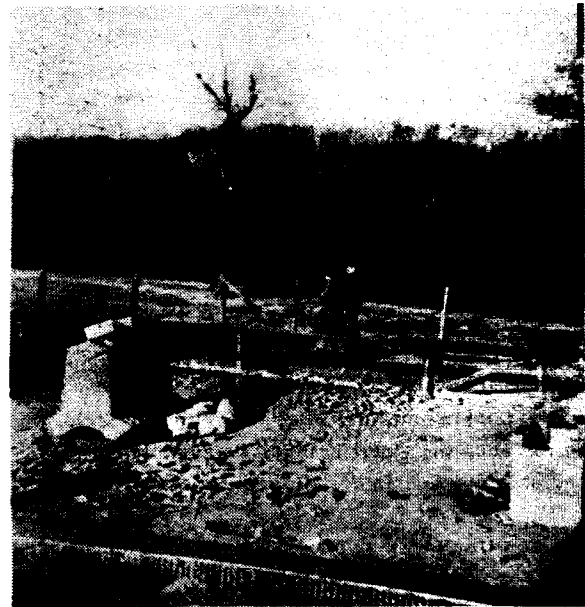
But the day of this visit was a day for dreaming anyway, the temperature taking one last swing at Indian summer, the bare live oak trees and a horse and wagon silhouetted on the hilltop against the late afternoon sun.

On a day when one wishes to know more specifically about farming, you can arrange for a tour.

Family Life

District and suburban school children are frequent visitors on such tours, and in fact make up most of the 150,000 annual attendance.

A tour of the farmyard with explanations of the implements and farm practices takes about an hour. Farm guides will also come to the classroom to talk about the farm, which they sometimes do as part of the orientation for a tour.



Guide Mary Dodd also talks of plans to demonstrate turn of the century harvesting next spring and summer, of her ideas about demonstrating some of the smaller farm household equipment now on display, and of perhaps getting a big pile of hay for the kids to jump in.

"I do have to chase the kids out of the hay barn," she says, "but I shouldn't have to do that. After all, they're here to have fun."

It seems she, and the National Park Service, have got the right idea.



Now that the Coffee, Tea and Spice shop has been closed due to fire damage, some of you may be hard up for a place to find "real bread" in the neighborhood. You may have missed the little bakery tucked back in the corner of the Eastern Market on the C Street side--you can buy excellent Italian bread there in small or large loaves. It is also available, along with other specialty items, at the Italian Grocery in the 1300 block of Pennsylvania Ave., SE.

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Here's a project for somebody or some organization looking for something meaningful to do . . .

organize a show of citizen support for the benefit of the White House for City Council members Stanley Anderson and Polly Shackleton, both of whom represent Capitol Hill along with other sections of the city.

Their terms expire in February, and there is a good deal of reasonable doubt that President Nixon desires to retain their services.

They have been two of the hardest working members of the Council. Polly Shackleton has fought for improved health services and a rational transportation system, and has diligently attended to the big problems of little people.

Stan Anderson has sought to improve the Recreation Department, has supported a shopping plaza for East Capitol Street at 15th, and has been always sympathetic to the problems of the Capitol East community.

They are the only councilmen to hold the line on the freeway issue, but it is suggested that when people write the White House in support, they do not mention their anti-freeway stands but rather dwell on their other virtues.

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Jody Pitzenberger, head librarian at the S. E. Library branch at 7th and D, S. E., is delighted that the Library Media Center at Federal City College has chosen Capitol East as its special com-

munity interest. Because of its formation as an urban land grant college, Federal City has a responsibility to involve itself directly in the city in some way, and Capitol East has been chosen, apparently because of active citizen interest here as evidenced by the CECO library card drive here last spring and a new and active library committee in the Circle on the Hill.

The Federal City College librarians will serve as a professional advisory group to citizens groups working for better libraries in Capitol East, and will probably use the S. E. Branch Library as a laboratory for library interns. They may also consider such projects as a survey of the community to determine how the library could better serve our inner-city neighborhood.

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I have just discovered the Sign of Jonah, a shop run by members of the Community of Christ, an ecumenical church group, at 2138 P St., N. W. You'll find a great array of beautifully designed posters, felt wall hangings, jewelry, wrapping paper and other items with religious and peace themes. The Christmas card collection is something special, but hurry. I understand they go fast.

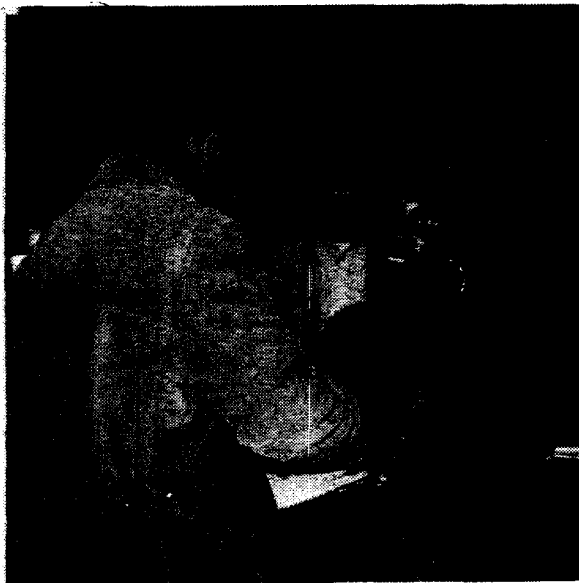
DO YOU HAVE ANY HELPFUL HINTS YOU CAN SHARE WITH YOUR NEIGHBORS . . .
WRITE OR CALL THE EDITOR'S WIFE, 543-5850.

Capitol East Cooks . . . an African Feast

When Sister Adiedo has an African-style feast, the table is heavily laden. The spread for such a feast, which she says she has about once a month for a group of friends, might include Kima (a dish of beef and rice), sweet and sour pork, yams, broiled filet of fish (halibut, for example), beef in beer, banana bread, a fruit drink, and a fruit desert or pecan pie.

"But the hostess doesn't do all of that." She explained that according to African tradition, you never go anywhere without asking what you can bring. "In this case the hostess might make the Kima, a banana bread, and perhaps the fruit bowl. The rest the guests would bring."

Adiedo has been teaching black literature at the Eastern High School Freedom Annex since it began in 1968 in the Keller Church building at 9th and



Maryland Ave., N.E. She came to teaching through her work experience in head start and community organization. Black literature has long been an interest of hers which she is enjoying developing as a high school curriculum.

"I don't choose the authors we read," she said. "I provide some points by which the various black authors can be judged. We're interested mostly in how a writer related to the social and political situation of his time."

The discussion seems to spread beyond the classroom and into her home where students are often guests for her feasts. She does only African cooking for herself as well, uses only unprocessed natural foods, and generally eats only once a day. "I find I have less energy when I eat too much," she says.

Adiedo's cooking comes straight out of her head, thus her recipes are of the "just mix it up 'till it looks right" variety. As a result, offered here are some fairly specific directions for a few items on her feast menu, and some fairly unspecific directions which might more rightly be called hints for the adventurous. The unusual ingredients can be found at the International Safeway.

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The Kima is just a simple rice and hamburger dish with a little different flavoring, a standard menu item all over East Africa where rice is a staple.

3 cups unbleached brown rice
1 teaspoon salt
curry powder to taste

1 package or 3/4 lb. green peas
garlic salt to taste

1 lb. ground beef

Cook the rice as usual, cook the peas in water and garlic salt, and brown the beef. Combine in a skillet and simmer a few minutes. Add a little water and butter if you want the dish to be more moist.

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As a beverage with the main course, Adiedo serves this fruit drink over crushed ice. You can also purchase this drink ready-mixed at the Warababa restaurant at 831 Kennedy St., NW.

1 1/2 cups of the following juices:
cherry apple
lemon lime
papaya orange
1 cup:
cocoanut milk

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To have the correct African flavor, the broiled halibut would be seasoned with lemon and palm, cocoanut, or peanut oil.

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The beef in beer is cooked in a pot on top of the stove. Start at medium high heat with enough beer to cover about 1/4 of a beef roast and add fresh mushrooms, red peppers, green peppers, onion,

and cayenne pepper to taste. Cook about 2 and 1/2 hours. The last half hour add more beer (a total of about one can) and an equal amount of water and turn the heat down to low. Add tomato sauce or tomato soup just before serving for flavoring.

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For desert, combine the following in any quantities desired:

chopped marshmallows
sour cream
fresh shredded cocoanut
chopped tangerine
chopped orange
sugar

Put in the freezer about one half hour and then transfer to the refrigerator until ready to serve. It should have the consistency of tapioca pudding.

The LIBRARY CORNER

December Films

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December 2

WEAPONS OF GORDON PARKS, a biography of the author, composer, and photographer for Life.

GWENDOLYN BROOKS, Pulitzer prize winning poetess reads her poems and discusses her work.

I HAVE A DREAM, biography of the late Dr. Martin Luther King.

December 9

BLACK HISTORY: LOST STOLEN OR STRAYED, presents many of the unknown contributions made by the Negro. Narrated by Bill Cosby.

SLAVERY, life under slavery through testimonials and memorials of former slaves.

December 16

FREDERICK DOUGLASS, biography of the Negro abolitionist.

JACKIE ROBINSON, biography of the first Negro major league baseball player.

December 23

WALK IN MY SHOES, the feelings of the Negro American on various subjects which concern him.

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December 18

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Have you seen these children's books?

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THE LITTLE DRUMMER BOY, by E. J. Keats

This is a beautifully illustrated picture book full of the bright colors of the holiday season. The music to the carol is found at the end of the book.

ABOUT THE ENAI BAGELS, by E. L. Konigsburg.

Mark Setzer's mother became manager of the Little League team and his older brother became the coach. Because of this, Mark had a lot to contend with as a player. The book should be enjoyed by 5th and 6th grade boys and girls.

EDGAR ALLEN, by John Neufeld

Michael Fickett tells of his family's adoption of a three year old Negro boy and the family and town reaction that followed. This is a different sort of book with a serious theme for older readers.

Notes from N.E. Branch

☐ THE Northeast Library, 7th & Md. NE, has organized a black book discussion group because there are a number of people in the community reading from the library's black book collection. After reading from the collection and becoming enlightened or more informed, the library staff feels that there is something to be gained intellectually by a group meeting and discussing books by and about blacks. If interested, please register at the library or call Harold Bates at 547-4778.

☐ The United Planning Organization would like to continue the tutoring services for elementary and high school students that have been provided at the library. The UPO needs volunteer tutors. Call Alfred Maury, UPO coordinator, at 547-4778 for more information.

☐ The library has a typewriter and a copy machine now for the convenience of the public.

☐ There is also a meeting room for public use. It seats 75 persons and any group or community organization may use this room by merely getting in contact with the librarian and arranging for the desired date and so on.

☐ The Children's Room is now open every Monday through Thursday until 9 P. M.

☐ Pre-school children can see the new, popular educational television series Sesame Street at the N. E. Library every morning Monday through Friday at 9 A. M.

Kingman Lake's under study (again)

THERE are probably few places in the city that have been more frequently planned and replanned, studied and restudied, than the Kingman Lake section of the Anacostia waterfront. Capitol East residents will recall, for example, a proposal drawn up by San Francisco architect Lawrence Halprin to turn the desolate banks of the Anacostia near RFK Stadium into a major recreational center for the city. No one heard much of those plans after Lady Bird Johnson, Halprin's patroness, left the White House.

Comes now the Interior Department with word that Secretary Walter Hickel has authorized the start of preliminary engineering plans for a pollution control program for the Anacostia River which would also create two 40-acre artificial lakes suitable for boating and swimming.

"The program we envision would halt pollution of the Anacostia River caused by overflows from a combined storm and sanitary outfall," Secretary Hickel said, "by retaining and treating these overflows to such a high degree of purity that it would meet stringent health standards for swimming and other forms of water-based recreation."

Negotiation for preliminary engineering studies are being undertaken in the Kingman Lake area to develop designs and fix cost estimates. "This area is now an ugly, overgrown wasteland used as a dumping ground for fill," the Secretary said. "It is also where discharges from the District's Northeast boundary combined outfall enter the Anacostia River, a tributary to the Potomac River, during heavy rains. During storms, the lines often become overloaded.

Rather than risk flooding waste treatment plants, the flows are discharged directly to a waterway.

"A solution to this problem has two immediate benefits," Hickel said. "By eliminating a major source of pollution of the Anacostia, we will have taken another step forward in cleaning up the Potomac. Further, thousands of people in the northeast and southeast sections of the District of Columbia will be provided with a place to swim, sail, picnic, and, perhaps in the winter, go skating and ice-boating."

"A successful program would also have long-term benefits. Solving of the combined sewer problem would be a major advancement in the battle against water pollution. We will also have developed an imaginative new approach in fulfilling urban recreational needs where they are most lacking."

Carl L. Klein, Assistant Secretary of the Interior for Water Quality and Research, said two Interior agencies will be designing a system in which storm water overflows would be stored and treated in a 15-acre artificial lake just east of the D. C. Stadium. Treated water from the retention lake would then be discharged to two adjoining 40-acre lakes, the first of which could be used for boating and fishing and the second for swimming. Klein said the Federal Water Pollution Control Administration will develop a high rate filtration system for treating overflows.

Leslie L. Glasgow, Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife, Parks and Marine Resources, said the National Park Service is being assigned the task of planning the recreational area.

Glasgow said, "If this approach is successful, it could give us an effective tool for satisfying recreational requirements where they are most pressing, but where there has been a dearth of development and ideas."

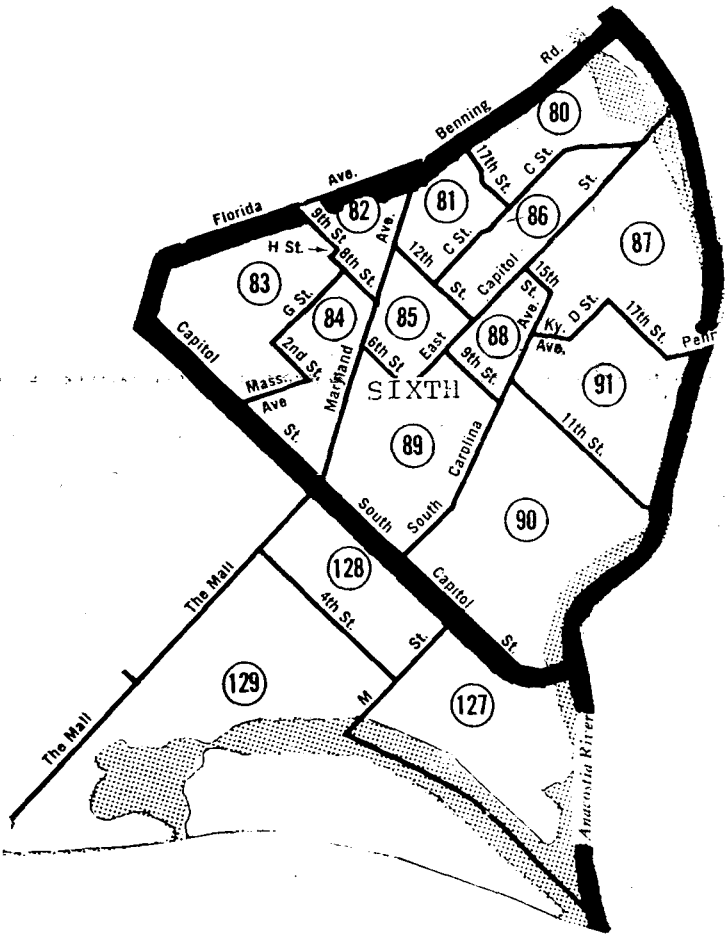
Discussions have been held with officials of the District of Columbia, Army Corps of Engineers, and Federal Highway Administration in view of their possible involvement in the proposed program.

Klein said, "There is nothing new in the concept of purifying waste water to such a high degree that it can be used for recreational purposes. But this is the first time such an approach has been applied to the problems of combined storm water discharges."

He said that in Santee, California, waste water is pumped into artificial lakes after impurities are removed. "The lakes in Santee have become popular and attractive recreational sites for the community," Klein said.

Tirana and Cassell won easily here

THE team of Bardyl Tirana and Charles Cassell won an easy victory in Capitol East in last month's School Board election for two at-large seats. The third candidate, Thomas Curtis, got less than half the number of Ward Six votes than either Tirana or Cassell. The large Ward Six margin for Cassell proved critical since Cassell beat Curtis citywide by only 20 votes. (The election may still be challenged in the courts.) Tirana won easily citywide. As in other wards, the turnout for the Ward Six election was very poor.



PRECINCT	TIRANA	CASELL	CURTIS
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81	57	51	24
82	42	38	14
83	33	48	21
84	47	51	29
85	96	94	25
86	38	34	17
87	42	52	29
88	101	93	33
89	393	332	120
90	113	101	33
91	49	55	18
WARD SIX TOTAL	1077	1008	416
127	394	294	247
128	192	153	96
129	144	89	101
SOUTHWEST TOTAL	730	536	444

Ward Six, SW oppose bridge

Ninety per cent of Ward Six voters who took part in last month's informal referendum on the Three Sister's Bridge voted in opposition to the interstate road gateway into the city. Some 1700 Capitol East voters joined 10,000 other Washingtonians in casting ballots on the issue at the same time that they went to the polls to vote for School Board candidates. The referendum was run by citizen's groups following the refusal of the Board of Elections to put the matter on the ballot.

In the three precincts of SW, some 85% of the voters casting ballots on the issue opposed the bridge.

The Capitol East and SW votes were in line with the citywide results which found 85% of those voting opposing construction of Three Sisters.

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Showcase '70

"SHOWCASE '70," an exhibition, sale and auction of fine art and holiday gift boutique items, will take place Dec. 6-14 at Law House, 461 N SW. The show will feature original graphics, handcrafted ceramics and a selection of gifts. The fine arts exhibition and sale is in conjunction with the Harry Lunn Gallery on Capitol Hill. Highlight of the graphics showing is an original print from Pablo Picasso's new "347 Series" a collector's item never before offered for sale in the Washington area.

The show will be open every day except Friday, Dec. 12, from 5 p. m. to 10 p. m. and on Sundays from 11 a. m. to 11 p. m. Other special features include an art auction on Dec. 13 and a fondue demonstration by Mrs. Charlotte Goldstein, on the evenings of Dec. 8 and 11. Local potters who will be represented in the show include Sigrid Biow, Solvig Cox, Charlotte Reith, Frances Riecken, and Stan and Ruth Walters. This is the 6th annual benefit for Temple Micah, a SW congregation.

Children's movies

CHILDREN'S movies will be shown at the NE Library, 7th & Md. NE, on Dec. 6 and 20 at 2 p. m. The programs run approximately 1 - 1 1/2 hours. Program for Dec. 6: "The Steadfast Tin Soldier," "The Camel Who Took a Walk," "Christmas Cracker," and "Twelve Days of Christmas." The library is also holding a children's story hour on Wednesdays at 3:30 p. m.

Medieval drama

TWO medieval church music-dramas, transcribed from parchment manuscripts and directed by Dr. Fletcher Collins, Jr., professor of drama at Mary Baldwin College, will be presented at the Folger Shakespeare Library this month. "The Wise and Foolish Maidens" and "Three Daughters," rarely produced in modern times, will be performed by students and faculty of the Staunton, Va., college in the Folger theatre on Dec. 12 and 13 at 8 p. m. and on Dec. 14 at 3 p. m. Admission free.

Toastmaster Club

THE DC Toastmaster Club has a course in the meeting room of the NE Library, 7th & Md. NE, every Friday from 12 to 1 p. m. Virgil Donald and Walter Morris give lessons to improve public speaking ability. The course is free.

Camerata chorus

THE Camerata Chorus of Washington will present a program of music for an Elizabethan Christmas at the Folger Library on Dec. 21 at 4:30 p. m. Admission is free. The Camerata Chorus specializes in the performance of a cappella music of the 16th through the 20th centuries.

CIC election

THE Community Improvement Corporation holds a meeting of its Citizen Advisory Council on Dec. 11 to elect persons to fill three vacancies on the board of CIC. Persons may be nominated from the floor. Nominees must reside in the district where there is a vacancy. There is one vacancy in District 1 (bounded by Benning Rd., Bladensburg Rd., R St., Seaton Place, New York Ave., and the Anacostia River.) There are 2 vacancies in District 4 (bounded by N. Capitol, Mass. Ave., Md. Ave., 15th St., and E. Capitol). The evening meeting will be held at the CIC, 12th & H NE.

18th century music

"MUSIC for an 18th Century Christmas" will be presented by the Baroque Arts Chamber Orchestra at 8:15 p. m. on Dec. 9 at Jefferson Jr. High, 8th

& H SW. Included in the program will be the works of Handel, Toelli, Corelli, L. Mozart and Bach.

Adult ed course

AN adult education course in mathematics, English, grammar and reading has been organized at the NE Library, 7th & Md. NE, in cooperation with the Capitol East Community Organization. The library supplies the books, other necessary materials and the meeting room. Classes will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 9 p. m. for anyone 16 or older desiring assistance in these areas. Interested persons should contact either CECO at 547-0630 or the NE library (Alfred Maury at 547-4778).

Black movies

THE NE Library, 7th & Md. NE, has begun a weekly movie series for adults and young adults during December. The dates are Dec. 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30 from 7 p. m. to 9 p. m. The theme of this series is black history. In January 7, 14, 21, and 28 a second film series will be shown highlighting black art, and music. A special film on the Tokyo Olympiad is also scheduled.

Church bazaar

ST. Peter's Church is planning a Christmas bazaar for Sunday, Dec. 7 from 10 to 5 in the church library behind the rectory on Second St. at C St., N. E. There will be a gourmet food booth, a flower boutique, Christmas decorations, a white elephant booth, a country store featuring knitted and crocheted items, and a puppet show and other children's activities.

'Evening of Christmas'

THE Church of the Reformation, 212 E. Capitol, holds an informal 'Evening of Christmas' on Dec. 21 at 8 p. m. There will be some readings of Christmas (poetry and story); Christmas songs and carols; and refreshments. Those who have a favorite Christmas verse are invited to bring it and share it with others.

Capitol Hill Forum

THE Capitol Hill Forum will present a discussion of "Our National Priorities," led by Rep. Andrew Jacobs (D-Ind.), on Dec. 14 at 8 p. m. The forum will take place at the Church of the Reformation, 212 E. Capitol St.

New gallery opens

GALERIE Two, located in the offices of T. C. Horne & Co., 201 Md. Ave. NE, opens on Dec. 9. Hours will be from 1 to 7 p. m. on Tuesdays through Fridays, Saturdays 11 a. m. to 5 p. m. and Sundays from 2 to 5 p. m. The Dec 9 opening will be from 5 to 7 p. m. The show will feature the works of Olivia Reusing and Diana Rowe of the University of Maryland; Barbara Tift of New York's Studio School of Drawing, Painting and Sculpture; and New York artist Herb Kruckman. The media range from silk screen to water colors to oils.

Galerie Two is the creation of two friends, Barbara Fant and Alice Bowsher, "who have temporarily given up their dreams of becoming U. S. Senator and ballerina, respectively." Mrs. Fant is the wife of T. C. Horne manager Ruff Fant.

After the first of the year, Galerie Two plans to exhibit local Afro-American and indigenous East European works, including sculpture.

African art sale

TWO hundred surplus pieces from the collection of the Museum of African Art go on sale Dec. 6. The



THE Fifth Precinct has been reduced to a mere substation under the Police Department's reorganization plan, but in one respect things at Number Five are just like they've always been. Above is a sample of the abandoned cars that the police park across from the stationhouse at 5th & E SE. Numerous complaints have brought no improvement in the situation, which not only uglies the neighborhood but is in violation of the law.

sculpture will range in price from \$10 to \$1000. Members are entitled to a discount. Reproductions of jewelry will also be available from \$5 to \$50. All proceeds will go to the museum's building fund. The sale runs through Dec. 31 at the museum, 316 A NE. Hours: Mon.-Fri. 10-5:30. Sat.-Sun.: 2-5:30. Admission by contribution. Adults 50¢, children 25¢.

CECO meeting

THE first meeting of the Capitol East Community Organization's delegate body will be held on Dec. 15 at 7 p. m. at Eastern High School, 17th & East Capitol Sts.

BULLETIN BOARD

HELP NEEDED

FROM Friendship House: Those of you who have a concern for the problems of the inner city are aware of the tightening up in the funding of related programs. In the coming year we will feel this stringency and will have a greater need for volunteers. We hope to be able to locate people who will take on the responsibility of guiding a group of youngsters, boys and girls, in a wide variety of activities: arts and crafts, dance, music, sewing, cooking, sports. We need men in basketball and karate. In these fields we need people with skills and experience. Call Friendship House at 547-88 80.

CLASSES

FEDERAL City College now has new application forms available. Persons interested in applying for admission to the College may request these forms by calling 638-5528 or 638-3746 or by writing to the Office of Admissions, Federal City College, 1331 H Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20005.

THE Gazette Bulletin Board provides free space for short public announcements. Send items to the Gazette, 109 8th St. NE, Washington DC 20002.

Capitol East bikeway set

THE first leg of a crosstown bicycle route is scheduled to open between RFK Stadium and the Capitol on December 15. The bikeway is the result of efforts by Councilwoman Polly Shackleton and local bike enthusiasts and will serve as an experimental prototype for what could develop into a citywide network of bike routes. Bikeways for Capitol East were first proposed by the Gazette nearly two years ago.

The first leg of the bikeway will start at the parking lot north of the stadium. The bikeway will run along East Capitol St. to Lincoln Park, through Lincoln Park on paths now being constructed, and again over East Capitol Street to the Capitol grounds.

Negotiations are underway to obtain access for the bike path through the Capitol grounds. The bikeway is then slated to run the length of the Mall, using Jefferson and Madison Drive, and existing paths, all the way to Potomac Parkway. It would run alongside Potomac Parkway to the intersection with K St. and thence under the Whitehurst Freeway to approximately Wisconsin Avenue.

International-type bike signs will mark the route and the General Services Administration has agreed to establish bike stands at government buildings. Mrs. Shackleton reports that the District may also provide bike stands at appropriate District buildings.

The experimental bikeway will not use District sidewalks -- to do so would require a change in the law -- but if the route proves popular enough, restrictions against use of sidewalks for bikes may be relaxed.

With the opening of the first leg of the bikeway in Capitol East, Washington will have finally started moving to catch up with many of the nation's other cities that have been providing safe facilities for bike riders, including New York which has a popular commuter's bikeway in Manhattan.

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News from CECO

SUNDAY, November 9th, was indeed a historic day for the Capitol East community and the city of Washington, D. C. Delegates representing more than 90 community organizations in the area came together for the true beginning of a community based, citizen-run coalition. On that day, delegates adopted a community constitution, and passed three resolutions dealing with housing, economic development of the car barn site at 15th and East Capitol Streets, and support of the November 15th Moratorium on Viet Nam.

Officers and board members were elected. Among them were Charles Cassell, President; Darnell N. Mitchell, First Vice President; Rev. Joshua Hutchins, Treasurer, Catherine Bego, Recording Secretary; Marilyn Harris, Corresponding Secretary; and 20 vice presidents who are representative of the many diverse groups and interests in the community. Total membership in the now totals approximately 9,500 and applications continue to come in to the membership committee.

Resolutions that were not presented at the Assembly, (and these include resolutions on crime, churches, real estate, libraries and schools) will be presented at the delegates meeting scheduled for early December. New resolutions should be submitted to the resolutions committee at 1500 East Capitol Street for consideration.

The newly elected board held its first meeting on Sunday, November 16th at CECO headquarters. This board, which is representative of all sections, ages, sexes, and races in the community, has set itself unequivocally to the task of assuring the establishment of community rule by the assumption of responsibility by the citizens of the community themselves.

NEWS NOTES

"NIGHTS at O'Rears," by Patty Griffith of 7th St. NE, has been selected for inclusion among this year's 'O'Henry Collection' of best short stories. The story was also published earlier this year in Harper's. . . Michael Cohen saw our story about the trees in Lincoln Park that the National Park Service almost cut down. The story mentioned the original 'L' Enfant Plan' of the city. Michael writes that a copy of the plan (30" x 45") can be obtained by mail from the U. S. Coast & Geodetic Survey, Rockville, Md., for "the magnificent sum of 50¢! That should take care of that plaster crack.

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nities which may be available in schools, agencies and businesses. A person with personality and charm is an asset to any office. Five students joined the group during the first week in October. These classes are educational and entertaining. Ten girls from the personality development class joined some of the adults from the community in a "Fall Frolic." They enjoyed an exciting evening consisting of dinner and a show. The evening began with the famous and talented WOL personality Sonny Jim Kelsey. Mr. Kelsey, with all his charm, inspired our young ladies to continue their education. The hostesses and their guest boarded a chartered bus and went to the Burn Brae Theater in Burtonsville, Md. for a delicious Smorgasboard dinner. After the luscious meal, the hostesses settled down to enjoy the musical "Oklahoma."

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SYMPATHY

We wish to express our deepest sympathy to the families of Mr. Robert Baldwin and Mr. Carroll Conway who passed away during the month of October. We have lost two of our good members with great sorrow.

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News from the Circle

Three community action committees of the Circle-on-the-Hill are looking for Capitol East women who want to get involved in their neighborhood.

A Library Committee has been formed to encourage and support the efforts of the N. E. and S. E. branch libraries to better meet the needs of Capitol East. Chairman Mrs. Robert Zich, 546-7724, would like to add women interested in this area to her committee. She needs particularly right now volunteers to drive neighborhood children to the N. E. library several mornings a week at 9 a. m. to see the new television program Sesame Street on Channel 26 educational television. The N. E. library is one of two libraries in the city to offer educational television. Also needed are women who can stay with the children during the program.

The Education Committee, under chairman Mrs. James MacRae, 543-3431, has begun providing volunteers to work in the Eastern High School guidance counselors' office which is seriously understaffed. Call Mrs. MacRae to find out about this and other committee projects.

The Welfare Committee met on December 3 at the home of chairman Mrs. Kirk Scharfenberg to have dinner on the Nixon welfare budget--that is, for 18¢ a person. If you are interested in follow-up on this project or in becoming involved with welfare issues, call Mrs. Scharfenberg at 547-8213.

The Circle-on-the-Hill is an organization for all women interested in helping to make Capitol East a model urban community. It's programs include money-raising and other events to benefit Friendship House at 619 D St., S. E., monthly meetings with programs at the House, as well as community action projects. Interested women should call membership chairman Mrs. Philip Gasteyer at 546-7346.